



CITY OF LODI

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

AGENDA TITLE: Presentation of the Community Improvement Award

MEETING DATE: August 15, 2001

PREPARED BY: Community Development Director

RECOMMENDED ACTION: That the Mayor present to Pastor Glenn Foo Sum, on behalf of Century Assembly Church, the Community Improvement Award to recognize their efforts and accomplishments in their Adopt-A-Block project in the northern portion of Lodi's Eastside residential neighborhood.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: On April 28, 2001, Century Assembly initiated the pilot program of Adopt-A-Block, in which they assembled a legion of volunteers from their congregation and swept through a residential neighborhood in northeast Lodi and helped residents clean up and beautify their properties. In just three hours time, those volunteers and residents amassed a total of 24 tons of junk and debris which was picked up and disposed of by Central Valley Waste.

Those volunteers returned every other weekend from that inaugural date and helped residents clean up debris, fix, replace and paint fences, weed and cut yards and flowerbeds, and make small repairs. The Adopt-A-Block Program was wrapped up on July 21st with a celebration that was held at Hale Park. Free food, refreshments, entertainment and games were provided that day to those who live in the neighborhood.

For their dedication and their incredible accomplishments, the City of Lodi and the Eastside Improvement Committee wishes to recognize Century Assembly with the Community Improvement Award.

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